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SUBJECT: IRAN/IAEA: OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING IRAN'S NUCLEAR PROGRAM AT UNSC DEMARCHE

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1. (U) On September 16 Pol/Econ Chief delivered reftel demarche to Deputy Foreign Minister Mustafa Noman concerning options for member nations to address Iran's nuclear program at the UNSC in preparation for the November IAEA meeting.

2. (SBU) Noman responded that he believes Iran has reached the point where it can already produce a nuclear weapon, "or else it is very close. I think it is too late," he said, adding that he hoped he was wrong, but that in any case no nation possessing nuclear weapons would actually use them as anything more than a deterrent force. Pol/Econ Chief responded that Iran is a state sponsor of terrorists groups on which deterrence has no effect.  
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